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IN THE CLAIMS:

The claims as currently presented and under consideration, are presented below for the Examiner's convenience and to comply with 37 CFR §1.121. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. **(Currently Amended)** A method of cleaving a peptide bond in a desired protein comprising contacting the desired protein with a protease comprising a sequence ~~selected from the group consisting of~~ SEQ ID NO[[s]] 11 ~~[[1 – 92]]~~, under conditions wherein the protease hydrolyzes at least one peptide bond in the desired protein.

2 - 16 (Cancelled)

17. **(Currently Amended)** A method for treating a disease or disorder, comprising administering to a patient in need of such treatment a pharmaceutical composition comprising a protease having an amino acid sequence ~~selected from the group consisting of~~ SEQ ID NO[[s]] 11 ~~[[1-92]]~~.

18 - 20 (Cancelled)